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# Air Force CALS Test Bed

## *Notification of Test Results*

23 May 1994

This notice documents the results of an Air Force CALS Test Bed (AFCTB) Quick Short Test Report (QSTR) evaluation of data submitted by:

### MAXIMA Corporation

Identified as follows:

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Program:	DISA
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QSTR No.:	AFCTB-ID 94-060

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The results of the QSTR evaluation are as follows:

MIL-STD-1840A Media Format:	N/A
MIL-D-28000A IGES:	N/A
MIL-M-28001B SGML:	Pass
MIL-R-28002A Raster:	N/A
MIL-D-28003 CGM:	N/A

Formal results with associated disclaimer are documented and available from the AFCTB.

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## 1. Introduction

### 1.1 Background

The Department of Defense (DoD) Air Force Continuous Acquisition and Life-cycle Support (CALS) Test Network (AFCTN) is conducting tests of the military standard for the Automated Interchange of Technical Information, MIL-STD-1840A, and its companion suite of military specifications. The AFCTN is a DoD sponsored confederation of voluntary participants from industry and government managed by the Electronic Systems Center (ESC).

The primary objective of the AFCTN is to evaluate the effectiveness of the CALS standards for technical data interchange and to demonstrate the technical capabilities and operational suitability of those standards. Two general categories of tests are performed to evaluate the standards; formal and informal.

Formal tests are large and comprehensive, which follow a written test plan, require specific authorization from the DoD, and may take months to prepare, execute, and report.

Informal tests are quick and short, used by the AFCTN technical staff, to broaden the testing base. They include representative samples of the many systems and applications used by AFCTN participants. They also allow the AFCTN staff to gain feedback from many industry and government interpretations of the standards, to increase the base of participation in the CALS initiative, and respond to the many requests for help that come from participants. Participants take part voluntarily, benefit by receiving an evaluation of their latest implementation (interpretation) of the standards, interact with the AFCTN technical staff, gain experience using the standards, and develop increased confidence in them. The results of informal tests are reported in Quick Short Test Reports (QSTRs) that briefly summarize the standard(s) tested, the hardware and software used, the nature of the test, and the results.

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## 1.2 Purpose

The purpose of this informal test is to analyze Air Force Document Type Definitions (DTDs) for Standard Generalized Markup Language (SGML) syntax, using several commercial and public domain SGML parsers, prior to placing them in the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) Asset Source for Software Engineering Technology (ASSET) repository.

## 2. Test Parameters

Test Plan: AFCTB 94-060

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Data  
Description: Technical Manual Test  
1 DTD

Data  
Source System:

Text/SGML  
SOFTWARE  
Unknown

Evaluation Tools Used:

MIL-M-28001 (SGML)  
PC 486/50  
Exoterica XGMLNormalizer v1.2e3.2  
Exoterica Validator v2.2.exe  
Public Domain sgmls 1.1

Standards  
Tested: MIL-M-28001B



### 3. 1840A Analysis

#### 3.1 External Packaging

The 3.5" diskette was hand delivered to the Air Force CALS Test Bed (AFCTB), and was not enclosed in any kind of container.

The files received by the AFCTB were not MIL-STD-1840A files. The files were not named per the standard conventions, as the stated purpose of the evaluation was the basic data structure.

### 4. SGML Analysis

The AFCTB has several parsers available for evaluating submitted DTD and text files. These tools are not used to generate a pass/fail but to report how commercially available software can handle the files. These products are used in the development of technical publications and are good indicators of usability. The use of these products is not an endorsement nor an indication of CALS capability. All operations were performed using the default settings unless specified in the report.

The goal was to configure the DTD under analysis as it would normally be used. However, for this analysis it was necessary to modify the DTD adding the "DOCTYPE doc [" statement to the start and the companion "]" to the end of the DTD under evaluation, as stated in the comments of the DTD. If the parser did not support a formal file pointing to the location of the ISO character sets, this was added.

The DTD under evaluation, MIL-M-83495A, Appendix D, Fault Isolation, called for a companion MIL-M-38784C DTD. MIL-M-38784C, Amendment three DTD, delivered on the same diskette as the DTD to be evaluated, was used. This DTD was used without change except to insert the location of the ISO character set files.

<!-- MIL-M-83495A Fault Isolation DTD -->

D495AD0.ORG --> D495AE0.ORG --> D784CB0.A3

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The following notes apply to the parsing analysis as indicated in the ensuing paragraphs.

- Note 1. Entity parameters defined more than once is a valid SGML construct. The duplicate definition warnings and/or errors in this analysis do not indicate any problems.
- Note 2. Some of the parsers report mixed content model warnings. The use of such content models is normally unnecessary and therefore not normally recommended. Record boundaries within elements of associated instances may be misinterpreted where a mixed content model exists in the DTD.
- Note 3. The occurrences of warnings "references defined, but not used," appeared because portions of the called DTD, i.e., MIL-M38784C, were not used. They were not used because the entity definitions of the DTD under analysis altered the execution path in the called DTD. The warnings in this analysis do not indicate any problems.

## 4.1 Exoterica Validator

The DTD file was evaluated using the Exoterica Validator *exl* parser. The basic DTD was modified by placing the concrete syntax file and "<!DOCTYPE doc [" at the start and the "]">" at the end. The parser reported 100 errors which related to the missing instance and are not considered errors for this analysis.

The parser reported 35 total warnings of three types. The first type warning was for a parameter entity declared more than once. See Note 1 above.

```
<!-- **Warning** in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 39,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
      A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
      The entity is "%shortitleuse".
      <!ENTITY % shortitleuse "ignore" >
      ~~~~~
-->
```

The second type warning relates to mixed content models. See Note 2 above.

```
<!-- **Warning** in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 66,  
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:  
      An element with mixed content should permit data characters  
      ("#PCDATA")  
      everywhere.  
      The element being declared is "CBLOC".  
      <!ELEMENT cbloc      - o (%text;,, cb+) >  
                               /\
```

The third type warning relates to elements defined but not used in any content model. See Note 3 above.

```
<!-- **Warning** in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 179:  
      An element is not allowed in the document instance because it does not  
      appear in any accessible content model or it is completely excluded.  
      The element is "ADDRESS".
```

## 4.2 Exoterica XGML Normalizer

The DTD file was parsed using the Exoterica *XGMLNormalizer* parser. The concrete syntax and "<!DOCTYPE doc [" were added to the start and "]">" to the end of the file. No errors or warnings were issued by this utility.

## 4.3 Public Domain sgmls

The DTD file was evaluated using the Public Domain *sgmls* parser version 1.1. The file was modified by adding the "<!DOCTYPE doc [" to the start and "]">" to the end of the file as stated in the comments in the DTD. The D495AE0.ORG and D784CB0.A3 files were used as the pointed to files. Fourteen warnings were reported by the parser, all of which were duplicate definitions. See Note 1 above.

```
sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
      Warning at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 39 in declaration parameter 4:  
      Duplicate specification occurred for "%shorttitleuse"; duplicate  
      ignored
```

## 5. Conclusions and Recommendations

The file D495AD0.ORG, MIL-M-83495A, Appendix D, conforms to the SGML syntax of ISO Standard 8879, as required by the CALS MIL-M-28001B specification.

The errors, warnings, and comments reported by the parsers used in this evaluation do not indicate invalid SGML syntax. However, the mixed content model flagged by a warning, from one of the four parsers, may cause problems in the use of this DTD. See Note 2, Section 4 above.

Recommend the DTD be changed to eliminate the mixed content model. If this is not possible, users should be alerted to the potential problems that may occur in the application of the DTD, and proper guidance should be provided to avoid the potential problems in the use of this DTD.

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## 6. Appendix A - Detailed SGML Analysis

### 6.1 Exoterica Validator

```
<!-- **Warning** in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 39,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
      A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
      The entity is "%shortitleuse".
      <!ENTITY % shortitleuse "ignore" >
      ~~~~~

-->
<!-- **Warning** in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 47,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
      A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
      The entity is "%shortitle".
      <!ENTITY % shortitle " " >
      ~~~~~

-->
<!-- **Warning** in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 49,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
      A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
      The entity is "%chap".
      <!ENTITY % chap "(title %shortitle;; chaptoc, faultid, logbook)" >
      ~~~~~

-->
<!-- **Warning** in "i:\dtd\784c.dtd" (entity "%m38784c"), line 37,
      used in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 51,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
      A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
      The entity is "%shortitleuse".
      <!ENTITY % shortitleuse "IGNORE" >
      ~~~~~

-->
<!-- **Warning** in "i:\dtd\784c.dtd" (entity "%m38784c"), line 45,
      used in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 51,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
      A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
      The entity is "%shortitle".
      <!ENTITY % shortitle " " >
      ~~~~~

-->
```

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```
<!-- **Warning** in "i:\dtd\784c.dtd" (entity "%m38784c"), line 107,
      used in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 51,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
The entity is "%frnt".
<!ENTITY % frnt "(idinfo, warnpage?, chginsst?, lep, verstat?,
      ****
```

-->

```
<!-- **Warning** in "i:\dtd\784c.dtd" (entity "%m38784c"), line 138,
      used in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 51,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
The entity is "%step1con".
<!ENTITY % step1con "(warning*, caution*, note*, para, note*),
      *****
```

-->

```
<!-- **Warning** in "i:\dtd\784c.dtd" (entity "%m38784c"), line 141,
      used in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 51,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
The entity is "%step2con".
<!ENTITY % step2con "(warning*, caution*, note*, para, note*),
      *****
```

-->

```
<!-- **Warning** in "i:\dtd\784c.dtd" (entity "%m38784c"), line 144,
      used in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 51,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
The entity is "%step3con".
<!ENTITY % step3con "(warning*, caution*, note*, para, note*),
      *****
```

-->

```
<!-- **Warning** in "i:\dtd\784c.dtd" (entity "%m38784c"), line 147,
      used in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 51,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
The entity is "%step4con".
<!ENTITY % step4con "(warning*, caution*, note*, para, note*),
      *****
```

-->

```
<!-- **Warning** in "i:\dtd\784c.dtd" (entity "%m38784c"), line 150,
      used in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 51,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
The entity is "%step5con".
<!ENTITY % step5con "(warning*, caution*, note*, para, note*),
      *****
```

-->

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```
<!-- **Warning** in "i:\dtd\784c.dtd" (entity "%m38784c"), line 153,
      used in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 51,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
      A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
      The entity is "%step6con".
      <!ENTITY % step6con "(warning*, caution*, note*, para, note*)",
      ~~~~~
-->
<!-- **Warning** in "i:\dtd\784c.dtd" (entity "%m38784c"), line 156,
      used in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 51,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
      A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
      The entity is "%step7con".
      <!ENTITY % step7con "(warning*, caution*, note*, para, note*)" >
      ~~~~~
-->
<!-- **Warning** in "i:\dtd\784c.dtd" (entity "%m38784c"), line 185,
      used in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 51,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
      A parameter entity name has been declared more than once.
      The entity is "%chap".
      <!ENTITY % chap "({titles;, ((section, section+) | para0+),
      ~~~~~
-->
<!-- **Warning** in "c:\ws\495fr.dtd" (entity "%m83495fr"), line 66,
      used in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 139:
      An element with mixed content should permit data characters ("#PCDATA")
      everywhere.
      The element being declared is "CBLOC".
      <!ELEMENT cbloc      - o  (%text;, cb+) >
      ~~~~~
-->
<!-- **Warning** in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 179:
      An element is not allowed in the document instance because it does not
      appear in any accessible content model or it is completely excluded.
      The element is "ADDRESS".
-->
```

<<<<< PART OF MESSAGE TEXT REMOVED HERE >>>>>

The element is "APPENDIX".  
The element is "CHGINSSHT".  
The element is "CHGLIST".  
The element is "CHGREC".  
The element is "DOC".  
The element is "DOCFRM".  
The element is "DOCPART".  
The element is "FOLDSECT".

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The element is "GLOSSARY".  
The element is "INDEX".  
The element is "INSERTPG".  
The element is "INTRO".  
The element is "PREFACE".  
The element is "REAR".  
The element is "REMOVEPG".  
The element is "SECTION".  
The element is "SHORTTITLE".  
The element is "VOLUME".  
The element is "WARNPAGE".

<<<< ERRORS FROM THIS POINT ON RELATE TO NO DOCUMENT INSTANCE AND ARE NOT CONSIDERED  
FOR THIS REPORT >>>>

<!-- \*\*Error\*\* in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 180:  
The document instance must consist of at least one tag or data character.  
The following element can start: "DOCFIM".  
-->

<<<< PART OF LOG FILE REMOVED HERE >>>>

<!-- \*\*Error\*\* in "\xgml\9460.dtd", line 180:  
An end tag that has been declared inomissible ("-") must not be omitted.  
The element is "DOCFIM".  
-->

<!-- Capacity points/limits:  
TOTALCAP =116857/200000  
ENTCAP =12832/200000  
ENTCHCAP =11651/70000  
ELEMCAP =5664/70000  
GRPCAP =31136/70000  
EXGRPCAP =768/70000  
EXNMCAP =1344/70000  
ATTCAP =34880/200000  
ATTCHCAP =947/70000  
AVGRPCAP =17376/70000  
NOTCAP =96/70000  
NOTCHCAP =163/70000  
IDCAP =0/70000  
IDREFCAP =0/70000  
MAPCAP =0/70000  
LKSETCAP =0/70000  
LKNMCAP =0/70000  
-->

<!-- 100 errors and 35 warnings reported. -->

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## 6.2 Exoterica XGMLNormalizer Parser

No reported errors or warnings.

## 6.3 Public Domain sgmls Log

sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
Warning at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 39 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%shortitleuse"; duplicate ignored

sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
Warning at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 47 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%shortitle"; duplicate ignored

sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
Warning at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 49 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%chap"; duplicate ignored

sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
In file included at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 51:  
Warning at i:\dtd\784c.dtd, line 37 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%shortitleuse"; duplicate ignored

sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
In file included at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 51:  
Warning at i:\dtd\784c.dtd, line 45 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%shortitle"; duplicate ignored

sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
In file included at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 51:  
Warning at i:\dtd\784c.dtd, line 109 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%frnt"; duplicate ignored

sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
In file included at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 51:  
Warning at i:\dtd\784c.dtd, line 139 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%step1con"; duplicate ignored

sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
In file included at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 51:  
Warning at i:\dtd\784c.dtd, line 142 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%step2con"; duplicate ignored

sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
In file included at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 51:  
Warning at i:\dtd\784c.dtd, line 145 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%step3con"; duplicate ignored

sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
In file included at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 51:  
Warning at i:\dtd\784c.dtd, line 148 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%step4con"; duplicate ignored

sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
In file included at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 51:

Warning at i:\dtd\784c.dtd, line 151 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%step5con"; duplicate ignored  
sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
In file included at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 51:  
Warning at i:\dtd\784c.dtd, line 154 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%step6con"; duplicate ignored  
sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
In file included at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 51:  
Warning at i:\dtd\784c.dtd, line 156 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%step7con"; duplicate ignored  
sgmls: In file included at \ws\9460.dtd, line 66:  
In file included at c:\ws\495fr.dtd, line 51:  
Warning at i:\dtd\784c.dtd, line 186 in declaration parameter 4:  
Duplicate specification occurred for "%chap"; duplicate ignored